

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In view of the amendments and remarks herein, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. By this Amendment, claim 84 has been amended and is the only pending claim.

Claim 84 has been rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Okawa. For at least the following reasons, Applicant submits that claim 84, as amended herein, is not anticipated by Okawa. Thus, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Okawa discloses an I/O port 25 in Fig. 1. However, Okawa does not teach any specific structures and/or functions of the I/O port 25, that are relevant to the claimed invention. In other words, the I/O port 25 merely operates in a conventional manner to send operation signals from the control pad 26 to the main CPU 23. There is no disclosure or suggestion in Okawa that the I/O port 25 receives a player controller related command from the coprocessor. Further, the I/O port 25 does not operate to execute a process in relation to video game control signal by executing the command. Moreover, there is no teaching or suggestion in Okawa that the I/O port 25 includes the register or processing circuitry, as now defined in amended claim 84. Thus, for at least these reasons, amended claim 84 is not anticipated by Okawa.

In addition, the VDP 5, 24 of Okawa controls the displayed image based on image data generated by the CPU 2, 23. However, the VDP 5, 24 does not operate to

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communicate a command which requests an operation to be executed in relation to video game control signal provided by the player controller.

Thus, the I/O port 25 and the VDP 5, 24 of Okawa are completely different from a peripheral processing subsystem and a coprocessor as defined in the amended claims herein. Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that the cited prior art does not identically disclose each and every feature of the claimed invention, as required for anticipation under Section 102. Thus, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.


In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. Thus, withdrawal of the rejection and passage of this case to issuance at an early date are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response or deem that any further issues need to be addressed prior to allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the phone number below.

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